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2. It is requested that you assume the responsibility for packing and loading the medical equipment and supplies, now stored at your command, for the team on request from Joint Task Force SEVEN.
3. This headquarters is arranging for the necessary special clearances and a MARS flight to transport this equipment.

- FOR THE CHIEF, AFSPW

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- CCRDERS F. TITMANT  
Colonel; USAF  
Chief of Staff  
K.M.

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10 MAR 1958

SUBJECT: Stand-By Medical Teams for Operation HARDTACK (U)

RG 374 DEFENSE NUCLEAR AGENCY

TO: Commander  
Joint Task Force SEVEN  
Arlington Hall Station  
Arlington 12, Virginia

Location WNRC  
Access No. 63-A 1783 Box 3/3  
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1. Reference is made to letter, file J-3/700, your headquarters, 24 January 1958, subject as above.
2. The formation of stand-by emergency medical teams has proceeded as requested. The Surgeons General of the Army, Navy, Air Force and Public Health Service have agreed to forward names to your headquarters of personnel who will be placed on a stand-by basis for such a team. Charles L. Dunham, M.D., of the Division of Biology and Medicine, U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, is prepared to join such a team along with two or three consultants to be selected if and when needed.
3. This headquarters is arranging for a MATE flight to transport equipment and supplies. Inspection and preparation of equipment stored at Field Command, AFSWP, is being carried out under the direction of the Surgeon, Field Command, who will be responsible for packaging and loading if necessary.
4. It is requested that your headquarters furnish stand-by orders for the team personnel whose names will be furnished by the individual Services. The Surgeon, Joint Task Force SEVEN is designated the team leader. The individual Services will place their personnel on an alert status for the period 1 April 1958 to 1 September 1958, and will further assign them to Joint Task Force SEVEN.

FOR THE CHIEF, AFSWP

Copy furnished:  
Field Command (w/d to be made Incl to separate ltr to F.C.)

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M/R: Ltr fr JTF-7, 24 Jan 58, requested organization of an emergency medical team to cover the possibility of a major radioactive fallout episode in the Eniwetok Prov.Gd., beyond the capabilities of assigned or available medical personnel, during Oper.HARDTACK. This action informs JTF-7 that formation of such teams has proceeded; that this hqs is arranging for MATE flight of

equipment; requests JTF-7 to issue stand-by orders for team personnel; designated Surgeon of JTF-7 as team leader; and furnishes copy of this action to Field Command for their information. Control No. 49447 applies. This action has been coordinated with: Dr. Powell, PHS; Dr. Dunning, AEC; Col Maupin, TSG; Capt Dickens, Bu/Med-Surg, USN; Col Lechausse, USAF;

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**SWPBG 337**

10 MAR 1958

**SUBJECT: Emergency Medical Team for Operation HARDTACK (U)**

**TO: Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery**  
**Department of the Navy**  
**Washington 25, D.C.**  
**ATTN: Code 74**

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**1. Reference is made to:**

a. Letter, SWPBG 337, this headquarters, 3 April 1956,  
subject: "Establishment of Medical Research Team," and 1st End,  
Serial 05397, your office to Chief, Bureau of Ships, 20 April 1956.

b. Letter, N3(348) Ser 348-89, Chief of the Bureau of Ships,  
to this headquarters, 20 April 1956, a copy of which was furnished  
your office.

c. Letter, SWPBG 337, this headquarters, 26 July 1956,  
subject: "Disestablishment of Medical Research Team."

2. Referenced correspondence concerned the establishment of an  
emergency medical team to be called in the event of a contaminating  
disaster during Operation KIDWING, and the eventual disestablishment  
of the team with the termination of the operation.

3. At the request of Joint Task Force SEVEN and in response to  
informal conversations with representatives of your office, it has  
been agreed to re-establish an emergency medical team during Operation  
HARDTACK, which would function in case of an incident such as the  
CASTLE-Bravo event in March 1954. It is requested that five (5)  
qualified medical officers be placed on an alert basis with stand-by  
orders to Joint Task Force SEVEN during the period 1 April 1958 to  
1 September 1958. It is further requested that their names be  
furnished to Joint Task Force SEVEN directly, with a copy to this  
headquarters, so the Task Force can issue appropriate orders moving  
them to the scene of such an incident in case of necessity.

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SUBJECT: Emergency Medical Team for Operation HARDTACK (U)

RG 374 DEFENSE NUCLEAR  
AGENCYTO: The Surgeon General  
Department of the Army  
Washington 25, D.C.

Location WNRG

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## 1. Reference is made to:

a. Letter, SWPSC 337, this headquarters, 3 April 1956,  
subject: "Establishment of Medical Research Teams," and 1st Indorsement,  
MEDNE 334 (Teams), your office, 27 April 1956.

b. Letter, SWPSC 337, this headquarters, 26 July 1956,  
subject: "Disestablishment of Medical Research Teams."

2. Referenced correspondence concerned the establishment of an  
emergency medical team to be called in the event of a contaminating  
disaster during Operation REDWING, and the eventual disestablishment  
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K. M.

This action has been coordinated with: Dr. Powell, PBS; Dr. Dunning, AEC; Col  
Maupin, TSG; Capt Dickens, Bu/Med-Surg, USN; Col Lechausse, USAF; and Col  
Hanson, Field Command.

M/R: At the request of JTF-7 this headquarters is formulating an emergency medical team to  
called in the event of a contaminating disaster during Oper. HARDTACK. This action requests  
that qualified personnel be placed on an alert status and that their names be furnished to  
JTF-7.

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FOR THE CHIEF, AFSWP

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SWPBG 337

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RG 374 DEFENSE NUCLEAR  
AGENCYTO: The Surgeon General  
Headquarters, USAF  
Washington 25, D.C.

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## 1. Reference is made to:

a. Letter, SWPBG 337, this headquarters, 3 April 1956,  
subject: "Establishment of Medical Research Team," and 1st Indorsement,  
your headquarters, 17 April 1956.b. Letter, SWPBG 337, this headquarters, 25 July 1956,  
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FOR THE CHIEF, AFSWP

Copy furnished:  
Commander, Field Command,  
AFSWP, P.O. Box 5100,  
Albuquerque, New MexicoM/R: At the request of JTF-7 this headquarters is  
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DRAFTER IDENTIFICATION: Lt Col Bach nw 1B672 52793  
Rank or Grade Surname Initials of Typist Rm No Tel ExtThis action has been coordinated with: Dr. Powell, PHS; Dr. Dunning, AEC;  
Col Maupin, TSG; Capt. Dickens, Bu/Med-Surg, USN; Col Lechausse, USAF;  
and Col Hanson, Field Command.

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Mr. Raymond E. Murphy  
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National Institute of Neurological Diseases and Blindness  
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Orders should assign these individuals to Joint Task Force SEVEN which in turn will issue detailed orders moving them to the West Coast and to the scene of any possible incident. Arrangements have already been made for shipment of the medical supplies required for the team from Sandia Base. Details as to assembly points, marriage of equipment with the unit, etc., will be furnished by Joint Task Force SEVEN. Colonel Ralph M. Lechmanne, USAF (MC), will be the team leader, since it is felt that it would be simplest to carry out this operation along military lines.

Sincerely,

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**K. M.**

M/R: At the request of JTF-7, this hqs is formulating an emergency medical team to be called in the event of a contaminating disaster during Oper. HARDTACK. This action requests certain personnel be placed on an alert status and their names be furnished to JTF-7. This action has been coordinated with: Dr. Powell, PHS; Dr. Dunning, AEC; Col Maupin, TSG;

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GRADE AND NO 5100, Albuquerque, N. Mex.		<i>John R. Hall</i>			
SURNAME OF COORDINATING OFFICERS					
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		Colonel USAF			

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and Col Hanson, Field Command. 28

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